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SUMMARY: SC UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED APPLICATION OF GUINEA BISSAU
FOR MEMBERSHIP IN UN ON 12 AUG AT LONG MEETING WHICH HEARD
22 SPEAKERS. GENERAL TONE OF SPEECHES WAS CONGRATULATORY
TOWARDS BOTH PARTIES WITH EXCEPTION OF SPEECH BY CHAIRMAN OF
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COMITE OF 24 WHO QUESTIONED EXPRESSIONS OF INTENTION OF

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PORTUGUESE GOVT RE CAPE VERDE ISLANDS. PORTUGAL DELIVERED UP-BEAT REPORT OF ITS DECOLONIZATION PROCESS.

1. AT MEETING AFTERNOON 12 AUG SC APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE (15(US)-0) APPLICATION OF GUINEA BISSAU (GB) FOR ADMISSION TO UN.

2. SC HEARD SPEECHES BY EACH MEMBER OF SC WELCOMING GB INTO FAMILY OF UN AND PAYING TRIBUTE TO STATESMANSHIP OF LEADERS OF BOTH PARTIES WHICH ALLOWED AGREEMENT TO COME FORTH.

3. IN ADDITION TO SC MEMBERS, SPEECHES WERE DELIVERED BY REPS OF AF GROUP (TOGO), NON-ALIGNED GROUP (YUGOSLAVIA AND ALGERIA), CHAIRMAN OF COMITE OF 24 (SALIM OF TANZANIA) AND CHAIRMAN OF OAU (COMALIA). MOST SPEECHES APPLAUDED ACTIONS OF PORTUGUESE GOVT BUT EMPHASIZED NECESSITY TO CONTINUE DECOLONIZA-TION PROCESS RE REMAINING AFRICAN TERRITORIES. CHAIRMAN OF COMITE OF 24 STRUCK DISCORDANT NOTE WHEN HE SAID THAT TOTAL TRIUMPH FOR ALL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS CAN ONLY COME WITH REMOVAL OF PORTUGUESE DOMINATION IN CAPE VERDE ISLANDS AND UNITY OF CAPE VERDE WITH GB AS UNITED REPUBLIC OF GB AND CAPE VERDE. HE LAUNCHED AN APPEAL TO GOVT OF PORTUGAL TO FOLLOW ITS PRESENT ROUTE TO LOGICAL CONCLUSION OF TOTAL ERADICATION OF PORTUGUESE COLONIALISM IN AFRICA. IN STRESSING QUESTION OF CAPE VERDE, HIS MAJOR POINT WAS REJECTION OF REFERENDUM PROCESS AND NECESSITY OF UNIFICATION OF CAPE VERDE WITH GB.

4. PORTUGAL WAS FIRST MEMBER STATE OF UN TO TAKE FLOOR AFTER EXPLANATION OF VOTE BY SC MEMBERS. PERMREP VEIGA SIMAO NOTED THAT THIS WAS FIRST TIME PORTUGAL SAT IN SC FOLLOWING RESTORATION OF DEMOCRACY AND FREEDOM FOR 25 MILLION PEOPLE, PORTUGUESE GOVT WISHED TO ANNOUNCE THAT IT HAD STARTED THE DECOLONIZATION PROCESS WITH THE GRANTING TO ITSOVERSEAS TERRITORIES OF THE RIGHT TO INDEPENDENCE UNDER TERMS AND ON DATES TO BE DETERMINED BY BOTH PARTIES. PORTUGAL WELCOMES THE UN TO ANY VOTING PROCESS TO BE HELD IN HER TERRITORIES. HE POINTED OUT THAT DIFFERENT SITUATIONS IN THE TERRITORIES CALLED FOR A DIFFERENCES IN THE PROCESS OF DECOLONIZATION IN EACH TERRITORY. PORTUGAL REAFFIRMS ITS OBLIGA-TIONS UNDER THE UN CHARTER AND PLEDGES HER FULL AND CLOSE COOPERA-TION WITH ALL UN ORGANS. HE SPECIFIED THAT PORTUGAL WILL COMPLY
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WITH ARTICLE 73(E) OF THE CHARTER. PORTUGAL AFFIRMS THAT SHE WILL ACCELERATE THE DECOLONIZATION PROCESS OF CAPE VERDE IN CLOSE COOPERATION WITH THE RELEVANT ORGANS OF THE UN. FINISHING ON UP-BEAT, VEIGA SIMAO QUOTED FROM PRESIDENT SPINOLA: "THE TIME HAS COME TO RECOGNIZE THE RIGHT OF OVERSEAS TERRITORIES TO TAKE THEIR FUTURE IN THEIR OWN HANDS." HE TERMINATED BY READINGOUT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED IN LISBON 12 AUG (REFTEL).

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